

# Torrance National, California Banks Reveal Merger

# TOLSON QUILTS SCHOOL POST, WITHDRAWS FROM ELECTION

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# County Museum Accepts Indian Stonework Found in Home Tract

## Tolson Cites Doctor's Advice In Resignation

School Board Member William H. Tolson, whose term would expire at the end of this month, resigned from the board yesterday and announced his withdrawal from the election slated for May 21.

A member of the board for the past four years, Tolson's resignation came as a surprise to other board members and was accepted with reluctance.

In a letter prepared for the board, Tolson said that he wished to resign immediately for reasons of health and the pressure of business.

"My personal physician tells me that I must withdraw from some of my activities," he wrote. "I do not feel that it would be fair to the people of the community if I should happen to be re-elected and then have to resign after the election."

Tolson's withdrawal from the May 21 race leaves only one incumbent, Dr. Joseph P. Bay, seeking return to one of the two vacancies. In the race against Bay will be Mrs. Opal Benard, former president of the Torrance Council PTA, Anthony Carleton Mewborn; and El Camino Teacher E. W. Schwartz.

Holdover members of the board include Grace Wright, Dr. Rollin Smith, and Darwin D. Parrish.

## New Fireworks Ordinance Due Before Council

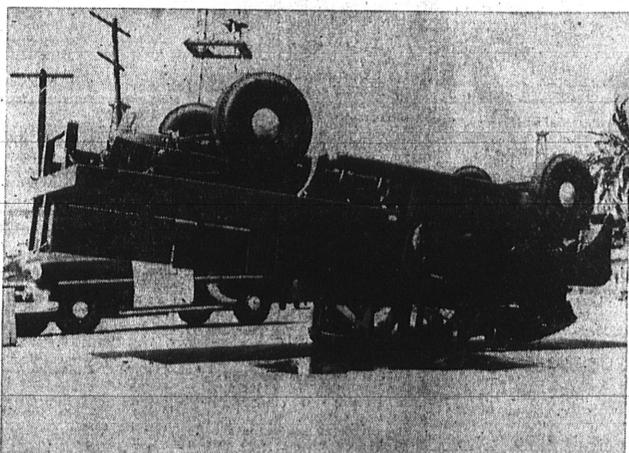
A city ordinance which will lay down some new rules for licensing of fireworks stands in Torrance will be considered by the City Council at its regular meeting next Tuesday night.

A discussion of some new regulations on the matter was held Tuesday night in the City Council chambers when councilmen met with persons interested in operating fireworks stands.

Councilman Albert Isen presented a sketch of a proposed ordinance which would take the "promoter" out of the fireworks business in Torrance.

Isen suggested that issuance of licenses be limited on one for each 4000 population, that the fee be a flat \$300 per stand, and that the licenses be divided between patriotic and veteran groups on one hand and civic betterment and charity groups on the other. Any organization would be limited to three licenses.

To qualify for a license an organization must have a membership of 25, have its principal meeting place in Torrance, had been here for at least two years. City Attorney is drawing up a new ordinance which will be presented to the Council for consideration Tuesday, he said.



**TOPSY TURVY** . . . a pickup truck driven by William Pulliam, 54, of Bell Gardens, ended up like this Monday afternoon after swerving to avoid a little girl crossing Crenshaw Blvd. at 235th St. Pulliam was not injured. The girl, Sara Van Brunt, 6, of 2560 W. 235th St., received slight injuries.



**VICTIM** . . . Little Sara Van Brunt, 6, of 2560 W. 235th St., was slightly injured Monday afternoon in an accident involving a pickup truck as she crossed Crenshaw Blvd. at 235th St. near her home. The truck flipped over onto its top trying to avoid the girl. She was taken to Harbor General Hospital with minor injuries and was discharged Tuesday. Above, Torrance Police Officer Jim Thompson questions witnesses, as others comfort the small victim.

## Third Graders On TEAC Agenda

A student demonstration on the results of a third grade learning experience will highlight the monthly meeting of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee, to be held May 10 at 12 noon at the XWGA building.

Also on the agenda is a talk on "College Counseling." Reservations for the luncheon are due today.

## Planning Consultant, Commissioner Resign

Resignation of Planning Consultant Earle A. Lloyd was accepted "with regrets" by the City Council at its last meeting after he asked to be relieved of his post to devote more time to his business, "which demands my undivided attention." Lloyd is a Long Beach insurance broker. His resignation is effective May 31.

The resignation of Commissioner Luther Mumford also was accepted. Mumford stated no reason for his resignation.

## Graders Remove Clues to Age With Tract Dirt

The Los Angeles County Museum has accepted the ancient Indian relics found last week in the Normandie Gardens housing tract near 210th St. and Normandie Ave., according to R. M. Ariss, curator of anthropology at the museum.

The curator was unable to fix a definite date on when the stone utensils were used because the area has been graded preparatory to landscaping for the tract and clues that would fix the date have been hauled away with the dirt.

No more relics were discovered in the anthropologist's examination of the site, but Clemente Barajas, of 1552 W. Carson St., who discovered the Indian kitchenware while working on the tract last Wednesday, said Monday that he had turned up a few more stone pots and bowls at the site.

Ariss examined the area to search for remnants of the Spanish reign in California, which would date the Barajas find sometime in the late 1700s or early 1700s. He found none, and stated that further examination is impossible because of the homes going into the area.

The utensils discovered by Barajas and John Montoya, 18545 Roslin Ave., were probably part of a campsite of Shoshonean speaking Indians, who flourished in this area prior to the (Continued on Page 12)

## Torrance National Bank Changes Hands

The Torrance National Bank, founded here in 1933, will become the 44th branch of the California Bank within the next 60 days, according to a joint announcement by James W. Post, local bank president, and Frank L. King, president of the California Bank.

The presidents stated that an agreement has been reached whereby California Bank will acquire and operate Torrance National Bank.

Post and other officers and employees of Torrance National will continue in the new branch, King stated.

A stockholders' meeting will be held May 17 at 9 a.m. in the local bank and the actual transfer will take place probably within 30 days after that, Post said.

The Torrance National Bank was founded in 1933 by James W. Post, and has occupied the premises at 1329 Sartori Ave. since that time. James Post's father had been in the banking business in Torrance since 1918.

The California Bank, established in 1903 in Los Angeles, has total resources of \$619,000,000.

No changes in staff or personnel of the present bank are being contemplated at this time, according to Post.

## Warrant Officer Home For One Month Visit

Anthony Martin Nady, 28, Navy Warrant Officer, was scheduled to be home this week for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Rose Nady, 710 Madrid Ave. A graduate of Torrance High School, Nady has been in the Navy for 15 years. He will spend about a month visiting with his mother, brothers and sister prior to returning to duty.



**KEY CLUBBERS REPORT** . . . Preparing a report on California-Nevada-Hawaii convention of Key Clubs last week in Stockton are Bob Hopkins, at the typewriter and Torrance High Club President Jerry Neeley. Hopkins, Neeley, and Jerry Farrar represented the Torrance club. The Key Club is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club.



**TOSSING ORANGES** . . . at her first stop, New York City, is pretty Mary "Kaki" Whitney, 24-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whitney of 435 Camino de las Colinas. The Pan-American World Airways stewardess is to stop at various parts of the globe to distribute samples of Southland products as a prelude to observance of World Trade Week, May 16 to 23. She left Sunday and is due to return here next Saturday, having traveled 22,000 miles in six days.

## Riviera Brunette On World Flight

A 24-year-old Hollywood Riviera brunette with half a million miles flying time in her log book is now on a record-breaking six-day round-the-world flight to sell Los Angeles and its billion-dollar-a-year trade opportunities to the world's markets.

Designated as Miss World Trade of Los Angeles County, the pretty flying saleswoman is Miss Mary "Kaki" Whitney, Pan-American World Airways stewardess and daughter of the Raymond Whitneys, 435 Camino de las Colinas.

She has been flying Pan American routes since 1951, when she escorted the first plane load of Gis to Korea.

Loaded down with briefcases, sample cases, and all the literature and paraphernalia of a traveling salesman, she left from Lockheed Air Terminal on a Flying Tiger Sunday morning and is scheduled to return to Los Angeles International Airport at 10:30 a.m. next Saturday.

Record Trip For a saleswoman, her trip will probably break all weekly mileage and speed routes, to say nothing of expense accounts. She will cover 22,000 miles on her six-day tour, carrying the message of Los Angeles World Trade to nine countries.

Miss Whitney made her first stop at New York City, where she picked up a round-the-world Pan-American clipper for London, Dusseldorf, Istanbul, Beirut, Rangoon, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Wake Island, and Honolulu are other stops on her itinerary before she returns to Los Angeles.

Mayor Norris Poulson sent her greetings from Los Angeles to the world capitals on her tour pointing out the tremendous trade growth of this area, which now counts its annual world trade in excess of a billion dollars.

Carries Message His message called attention to the 11,000 factories here, many of which produce goods for the world's markets, and the 200,000 jobs in the area which are the result of that trade. He also pointed out that more than 32 million tons of cargo flow through Los Angeles.

Wears Pilot's Cap Miss Whitney exchanged her trim stewardess cap for a Los Angeles Harbor pilot's cap, presented to her with a commission of honorary port pilot. The cap will be autographed by officials at each stop and together with a collection of native dollar which she will pick up at each city will be auctioned off for charity upon her return.

The brunette ambassador of good will said she also intends to bring back some business. "After all, I have met some pretty big businessmen in my flying," she said, "and I am going to call them up and see if they are using our markets here, and if not, why not."

## Heraldman in Army Promoted to Corporal

Herald City Editor Richard A. Friend, on duty with the Public Information Office at Ft. Ord, Calif., has been promoted to rank of corporal. It was learned here yesterday.

Corporal Friend, who entered the service in 1952, is expected to be released from service in September.